

THE ACTIVISION

# DECATHLON

## THE GOAL

The goal here is to win.

Very simple.

Score as many points as you can in all ten events of the decathlon.

## GOOD LUCK!

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## PREPARATION

- With power **OFF**, insert cartridge into your computer.
- Turn power **ON**.
- Solo decathlete uses left Joystick. Two Joysticks required for more than one player.
- Press **F1** for player select. Select number of players by pressing keyboard number 1-4. In multi-player mode, the first and third decathletes compete against the computer. Single players always compete against the computer.

## SINGLE EVENT PLAY: **Practice Heats.**

- If single **S** is selected, a menu appears. Press the keyboard number corresponding to the event in which you wish to compete.
- After completing an event, press the red button to repeat that event, or press **F7** to return to menu.

## ALL EVENT PLAY: **The Complete Decathlon**

- If all **A** is selected, press red button to advance to next event once current event ends.
- To return to initial selection screen, press and hold **RUN/STOP**; then press **RESTORE**.

## **Joystick**

Continually move Joystick to the left and right to run or approach the scratch line. (See "Events").

## **Scoring**

Earn points for each event. Screen displays event score following each attempt, and total score. Score 1,000 points in any event, and a musical tribute will be your reward. Only the highest event score is added to total.

## **S P E C I A L H I G H L I G H T S**

### **Strength Bar**

Registers your relative running or approach speed throughout each event. The faster you move, the closer the bar moves to the right-hand limit.

### **Real-time Clock**

Counts the minutes, seconds and fractions of seconds during all races.

### **Scratch Line**

Don't cross the scratch line before pressing the red button for appropriate events (see next section).

### **Distance Measure**

Distance is measured on-screen in meters for appropriate events.

### **Current Contestant**

The number 1, 2, 3 or 4 appears directly next to the strength bars to remind contestants which decathlete is competing.

## **E V E N T S**

### **100-Meter Dash**

One opportunity. The quicker your time, the higher your points.

## **Long Jump**

Three attempts allowed. Begin with a 30 meter running start, then press the red button just before the scratch line.

## **Shot Put**

Three attempts allowed. Move as quickly as you can to the scratch line, then press the red button.

## **High Jump**

Allowed a maximum of three attempts at each height. Run the 30 meter approach, then press the red button to jump. Successfully "clear" a height and the crossbar raises.

## **400-Meter Race**

One opportunity. A middle-distance race.

## **110-Meter Hurdles**

Ten hurdles at 10 meter intervals. You won't be disqualified for "spilling" a hurdle, but it will slow you down. Press the red button to jump the hurdle.

## **Discus**

Three attempts allowed. Approach the scratch line as quickly as possible, then press the red button.

## **Pole Vault**

Allowed a maximum of three attempts at each height. Run to the vault pit and plant your pole by pressing the red button. Continue to move the Joystick as you vault, and, at the peak, press the red button again to release the pole. Successfully clear a height and the crossbar raises.

## **Javelin**

Three attempts allowed. Run to the scratch line, then press the red button.

## **1500-Meter Race**

One chance in this final event. Pace yourself, then, give it your all!

## THE CLUB OF CHAMPIONS

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